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Microsoft's intention to pay back the people of the USA by donating its products to schools is an obvious marketing tactic. By donating to schools, they make themselves look like a friend of the common man. However, by propagating their products throughout schools, Microsoft's true intention is to expand their monopoly further by introducing impressionable young children to their products. To be completely straightforward, this is the same tactic of which tobacco companies are accused. If Microsoft is allowed to settle its case by donating its products to schools, the US DoJ will be doing a great disservice to the inhabitants of this country by sanctioning a further extension of Microsoft's monopoly.

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"Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered; yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph. What we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly; 'tis dearness only that gives everything its value. Heaven knows how to put a proper price upon its goods; and it would be strange indeed, if so celestial an article as Freedom should not be highly rated." Thomas Paine, 23 December 1776